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Dear Friends,

as we share our sixth holiday
season as members of the Gardner-Webh
College Samily we are filled with
gratitude—

for the formers of this fine including whose vision and faith buryed it through difficult times, for the alumni and students, for the many friends and supportunities of ministry available to faculty and staff, for the heroic past, the vibrant present, but most of all for the promising future.

Gondaer-Webb is a special college mestled in the foothills. Our college stogan, "People Who Care," is more than mere words. Here, God's work can be seen in so many ways. As we colebrate the Savior's birth, our prayer is that you may know this peace this Christmas and always. In this service,

Chris and Linda White



ardner-Webb College has announced a recent \$1 million pledge. The gift, made by Rutherford County natives Huey H. and Wyndolyn Royster Hollifield, is the second \$1 million gift in the College's history.

The first \$1 million contribution Gardner-Webb was made by the Dover Foundation in 1990.

the Ιn making announcement, College President Dr. Chris White described the Hollifields as visionary. He explained that the couple, in making what is their first gift to Gardner-Webb, wanted "something of lasting influence, something that would not be done otherwise and something that would draw attention to the College."

It was in that vein that the Hollifields devoted their attention and their efforts toward the construction of a lake on the campus of the Boiling Springs college.

The idea of a lake on campus was recommended five years ago by a land planning firm as part of a long-range plan commissioned by the Board of Trustees for the College's systematic physical growth and development.

Since that time, the College has made a number of changes, including the construction of the Craven E. Williams Observatory; the purchase of part of the former Boiling Springs Elementary School, which houses the College's physical plant; and the acquisition of the former offices of Dr. Gene Washburn, which have

been renovated to house the admissions and financial aid offices.

The lake is "a means to an end" for the Hollifields, according to Dr. White. The donors share the College planning phases, the proposed lake will cover the southwest side of campus, according to Dr. White.

Still in the early approximately five acres on determine such specifics as the location of a dam. In addition, homework is being done on obtaining the proper permits and meeting regulations.

The Hollifields, who reside in Winston-Salem, are strangers Gardner-Webb. Mrs. Hollifield was recently named a trustee of the college. Her husband is a member of the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Baptist Foundation, with which the College is associated.

Hollifield is also an alumnus of Gardner-Webb, having graduated in 1936. Hollifield worked during his student days Gardner-Webb to help pay his educational expenses. Formerly associated with the National Cash Register Company, Hollifield now enjoys retirement after a long and distinguished career.

"We are proud of Mr. Hollifield's accomplishments and are grateful for this fine Christian couple's generosity toward his alma mater. He is example Gardner-Webb alumni and generations of students to come," White said.

Hollifield recalls his days at the College with great fondness and speaks of the caring attitudes of the people there. "That made an impression on him that he has never forgotten," Dr. White relates, "That same concept that we believe in and promote today -- People Who Care." WEE

MILLION **DOLLAR GIFT**

College Gets Second Million

Plans to Build Lake

"something of lasting influence, something that would not be done otherwise and something that would draw attention to the College."

family's vision for an idyllic setting. The addition of a body of water is a major component in developing this affect. The lake will be named for the Hollifields.

When completed, the recreational setting will include a bell tower, carillon, walking trails and picnic facilities.

At present, the College is working with engineers to

NoelHall

Structure to Become Postcard Site of Campus

\$300,000 pledge made to Gardner-Webb College by Mrs. Marguerite W. Noel of Kannapolis will be used toward the construction of an academic structure on the College campus.

Noel Hall, named in memory of the late Dr. George T. Noel and in honor of Mrs. Marguerite Warren Noel, will extend from the present-day Lindsay Building. The wing will be designed to accommodate both classroom and faculty office needs.

The construction of this building will change the face of the Gardner-Webb campus. The striking design of the wing, which will face east along Highway 150, will make it one of the most

prominent areas of the College. "This will become the postcard site of Gardner-Webb," said Dr. Chris White in making the announcement, following a vote by the Gardner-Webb Board of Trustees.

The wing, designed by Gardner-Webb trustee John T. McCulloch of McCulloch England Associates in Charlotte, will also include other naming opportunities.

"It is with much gratitude that we acknowledge this gift to Gardner-Webb," said Dr. White. "Noel Hall will forever represent the love and devotion of this family for Gardner-Webb and will serve as a reminder of the dedication to Christian education that Marguerite Noel

has exhibited in many ways."

In 1983, Mrs. Noel established the Dr. George T. Noel Memorial Fund for Visually Impaired Students, the first such fund for students enrolled in Gardner-Webb's program for the blind. She named the scholarship in memory of her late husband, who was an ophthalmologist in Kannapolis for nearly 30 years.

A second major endowment established by Mrs. Noel provided permanent housing in a completely renovated facility and in 1986 the Noel House, which contains the College's programs for handicapped students, was dedicated

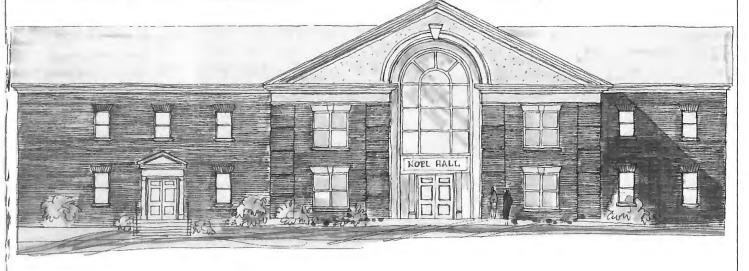
in honor of Mrs.

Noel and in

memory of her husband. Mrs. Noel has continued as a supporter of the programs throughout the years.

Following in her parents' footsteps, Miss Marylene Noel established the Marylene Noel Scholarship for Handicapped Students in 1989.

It is through the generous spirit of the entire family that the most recent gift has been made to Gardner-Webb. Mrs. Noel and her daughters, Jere Noel Blackburn of Wise, Va., and Marylene Noel of Thomasville, were on campus for a luncheon honoring Mrs. Noel. Mrs. Noel's other daughter, Rita Noel of Munich, Germany, was unable to attend. WEE



Special Olympics

Gardner-Webb Recognized for Contribution

ardner-Webb
College has been
recognized by
North Carolina
Special Olympics as the
Outstanding Organization of

the Year at the local level.

As a sponsor of Special Olympics, Gardner-Webb is in the company of businesses sponsoring 100 Special Olympics events across the state. This made the more honor outstanding, according to Dr. Lonnie Proctor, who heads Cleveland County's Special Olympics.

Dr. Chris White, Gardner-Webb College president, was on hand at a special awards dinner in Charlotte earlier this fall to accept the award.

"We at Gardner-Webb are proud to serve as host for such a special event and to be affiliated with this fine organization," said Dr. White. "Having Special Olympics on our campus is a plus for our college community as well as the Cleveland County area."

Gardner-Webb College was also recognized as the winner in this category in the 1980-81 ceremony. Since

> the awards program began, there has never been a repeat winner besides Gardner-Webb College.

"Gardner-Webb College is an organization that really cares about people. I have seen this high quality of support not only during the 1990-91 year but since the program began twenty years ago. I feel honored to teach in such a caring institution," Dr. Lonnie Proctor. WEE



Bulldogs Are Buddies to Troubled Youth

The Gardner-Webb College Runnin' Bulldogs are more affectionately known by a few area young people as "Bulldog Buddies."

All the players on the Gardner-Webb football team are aiding the efforts of Cleveland County's Youth Assistance Program by serving as "buddies" to the troubled youth the program targets. The student athletes have become pen pals with many of the youngsters --

keeping in touch and providing positive influence.

Saturday, Nov. 9, the youth and their YAP volunteers were on the Gardner-Webb campus for a tailgate picnic prior to the game against Presbyterian. Following the game, the football team and coaches were hosts for a reception for the group.

The team was recently presented the Channel 9 "Nine Who Care" award by the Charlotte news station. The group was selected from 43 possible businesses and

groups in the area as one of nine to receive the award. WEB



Scholarship Match Aids Southern Baptists

ardner-Webb College officials have announced plans for a Matching Scholarship Program for Southern Baptist Churches.

The program, to become operational for Fall 1992 is aimed at strengthening the College's relationship with Southern Baptists while providing assistance to deserving students. As a college affiliated with the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, Gardner-Webb is attempting to make private higher education in a Christian environment more accessible to Baptist students.

Gardner-Webb will match any scholarship given by a Southern Baptist church -- guaranteeing that college-funded assistance will at least equal the amount provided by the church, up to \$2500 per year, or \$1250 per semester.

To qualify, a student must be enrolled full time as an undergraduate in the regular program at Gardner-Webb. The student must be a member of the Southern Baptist Church from which he or she receives a scholarship.

For information on application procedures, interested churches or students should write or call the Gardner-Webb College Financial Planning Office, P.O. Box 955, Boiling Springs, N.C. 28017, (704) 434-2361. The deadline for applications each year is June 15.



CommunityWelcomes International Students

Dr. and Mrs. White were hosts earlier this fall for a reception at their home honoring the College's international students.

The event was designed to welcome the students as well as to introduce them to members of the community. "These students rely on Gardner-Webb and this area as their home away from home during the school year," says Linda White. "We wanted to provide a setting in which they could meet several key people in the community, particularly individuals who have an interest in this program."

The reception was just one of the many opportunities afforded the students this fall for interaction with area residents. Many individuals and families have served as

hosts for the students during college breaks and holidays.

This interaction is an important part of the international students' total educational experience, according to Jean Cabaniss, director of international students at Gardner-Webb. It gives them the chance to experience American culture through an up-close, personal look at our daily lives, she explains.

Students are also invited, and encouraged, to join the College's International Students Club. The purpose of the club is "to promote friendships among International and American students, to provide for the exchange of ideas and to help meet the needs of the international students on campus."

"This is the background of everything

else we do," says Mrs. Cabaniss.

"We are seeking to incorporate the international students into the community and to the college campus," she says. Eighteen of the 23 international students live on campus and are placed with English-speaking roommates. Five international students live in off-campus housing and two of the international students are missionary students.

Mrs. Cabaniss says that the students must concentrate on studies through the week, but notes that weekend excursions such as a meal with a family, picnic or boating outings, or even shopping are a welcome break. Anyone who is interested in inviting the students for visits should call Mrs. Cabaniss.

Gardner-Webb Theatre Conducts Third Annual Playwriting Contest

Unpublished one-act plays are being sought by the Gardner-Webb College Theatre.

A cash prize of \$350 and production of the winning play are being offered. The contest is open to any non-published and non-produced playwright.

There are no restrictions of subject, style or treatment except the play must be suitable for production at a church affiliated college within the ordinary bounds of a college theatre budget.

The deadline for submitting plays is Jan. 15, 1992. The plays will be judged by a regional panel of theatre professionals. The winning play will be produced on the college campus April 3-5, 1992.

Contest Rules

- 1. Open to any non-published or non-produced playwright.
- 2. One-act plays only with running time no longer than 45 minutes.
- 3. There are no restrictions of subject, style, treatment, etc., except the play must be suitable for production at a church-affiliated college.
- 4. The plays must be original, unpublished and unproduced.
- 5. More than one entry may be submitted by each eligible playwright.
- 6. One typewritten bound copy sould be submitted. Two title pages must be included; one bound, the other unbound. The unbound title page should contain the author's name, address and telephone number. This information must appear nowhere else in the manuscript.
- 7. A self-addressed stamped envelope must accompany each entry if return is requested.
- 8. The College reserves the right to withdraw the competition for any other reason.
- 9. Author agrees to grant permission without royalty or other compensation to Gardner-Webb College for unlimited production.

The deadline for submission is Jan. 15, 1992. No entries may be withdrawn from the contest after the deadline.

Mail Entries To:

John Brock, Director Gardner-Webb College Boiling Springs, N.C. 28017

Contact John Brock at Gardner-Webb College (704) 434-2361 for more information. WEE



Gardner-Webb Gets \$32,000 Endowment

he Freeman T. Perry Christian Service Organization Endowed Scholarship Fund has been established at Gardner-Webb College. Perry, a resident of Kannapolis, established the \$32,000 fund within the Christian Service Organization.

In assigning the scholarship, preference will be given to students from Rowan and Cabarrus counties.

Perry says that he is proud to direct his attention to Gardner-Webb and that he is glad that his contribution can be used to assist deserving students in attending college. "I want the money to keep working," he says.

The concept of an endowment will allow just that. Thanks to the generosity of so many who, like Perry, have directed contributions to endowed scholarships, 42 students have been named scholarship recipients in the Christian Service Organization this year alone.

Perry became familiar with Gardner-Webb through a former pastor, the Rev. Bobby Seagroves and through his current pastor, the Rev. Dan Phipps. Rev. Phipps is pastor at Franklin Heights Baptist Church, where Perry has been a member for over 40 years.

Gardner-Webb College is offering a series of 10-week classes designed to meet the interests of those 55 and older. Classes will be offered in literature, history, science and current events, to name a few.

The College for Senior Adults at Gardner-Webb is a new concept for this community. The classes promise to offer subject matter that will interest, stimulate and inform. Courses will be taught by qualified instructors in a collegiate atmosphere. The relaxed setting of the Gardner-Webb campus will serve as the perfect backdrop for learning. And, there will be time for fellowship and interaction.

The College for Senior Adults at Gardner-Webb will include Life Journey discussion groups, weekend seminars and special projects designed for your special interests and guided by experts in the field.

No previous college experience is needed. The only requirement is a desire for learning and intellectual curiosity.

The first semester's class offerings are only a sampling of the types of classes to be offered in Winter semester, 1992 will begin in February, with such topic offerings as:

"The Great Depression to Desert Storm" (the American history we have regulations, new sports); and "Family and Religion in the Fiction of Flannery O'Conner".

Each two-hour class will meet one time a week on the Gardner-Webb College campus. Schedules are designed so that all subjects are taught as day classes. In addition, participants will be able to enjoy the offerings of the College campus -- from the library to the observatory.

Membership in the College for Senior Adults at Gardner-Webb is open to anyone 55 and older. Membership fees are \$60 for individuals and \$100 for couples for each ten-week semester. Membership fees will be waived for those registering for the first semester's offerings.

All senior adults are invited to take advantage of this opportunity to associate with people of similar interests who wish to pool their talents and experience for mutual enjoyment, learning and service to society.

College for Senior Adults First Series of Classes On Slate for February

following semesters. Class formats will include a blend of lectures, seminars and discussion groups. Some of the class offerings will be participant driven and the direction of some course offerings will depend on the opinions of those enrolled for any given semester.

made); "Economics: How Did We Get Into This Mess and How Do We Get Out of It" (an examination of the political and social trends and changes which have created our present economic conditions); "Athletics: The Changing Scene" (new rules, new

Abernethys Endow Athletic Scholarship

he J.W. Abernethy
III and Terry C.
A be r n e t h y
Endowed Athletic
Scholarship was recently
initiated at Gardner-Webb
College.

The scholarship is designed to assist worthy full-time student athletes at Gardner-Webb. Preference will be given to members of the women's basketball team.

The Abernethys, residents of Newton, are active members of the Gardner-Webb College Bulldog Club, each having served as a director for a number of years.

Abernethy, who is with Carolina Glove Co. of Newton, is a lifetime member and former president of the Bulldog Club. Mrs. Abernethy is a TD member of the

organization and is also a member of the Gardner-Webb College Board of Advisors.

The Abernethy family, including Abernethy's father, who was one of the first lifetime members of the Bulldog Club, and the couple's children, who are Big Dog members, are avid Runnin' Bulldogs fans.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Albernethy are graduates of

Gardner-Webb. Mr. Abernethy enjoys the distinction of being the first member of Gardner-Webb's first four-year graduating class to cross the commencement stage.

Since that time Abernethy, and his family, have continued to be singled out at Gardner-Webb -- both for their love of the College and of athletics.

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8 23 28	8 p.m.	Classes resume Dover Theatre Robert Blocker/Pianist Dover Theatre	12	4 p.m.	Barbara Burkett, Organist Dover Theatre Artist Series/ Asheville
28	8 p.m.	Senior Recital/ Angela Goode, Soprano	14	8 p.m.	Symphony/Choral Union Dover Theatre Band Concert/ Stephen Plate, Conductor
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19	8 p.m.	Dover Theatre Concert Choir Concert/ Phil Perrin, Conductor			A B

Phil Perrin, Conductor APRIL 8 p.m. Dover Theatre 2 "One Acts" 8 p.m. Dover Theatre 3 "One Acts" 8 p.m. Dover Theatre "One Acts" 8 p.m. Dover Theatre 5 "One Acts" 7 2:30 p.m. Dover Theatre Senior Recital





Henry Lee Weathers Jr., former owner and publisher of *The Shelby Star* and his sister, Miss Pearl Weathers of Atlanta, are shown with members of *The Pilot* staff. Pictured, from left, are Dawn J. Lewis, Weathers, Jerri S. Britt, Miss Weathers and Dawn Camp. Mr. Weathers and his sister were on campus for the Annual Scholarship Luncheon, which introduced endowed scholarship donors and their student recipients.

Broyhill Academy To Sponsor Speaker Janet Sue Rush To Be On Campus Jan. 14

anet Sue Rush, co-founder of Strawberry Communications of Dallas, Texas, will be on the Gardner-Webb Campus Tuesday, Jan. 14. The communications group is part of the Zig Ziglar Corporation.

The seminar, sponsored by the Broyhill Academy, will be conducted on the topic, "Beyond Customer Service, To Customer Satisfaction".

A motivational speaker, Ms. Rush speaks in over 200 cities each year. She combines an extensive background in education, communication, public relations and customer relations.

The topic, "Beyond Customer Service, To Customer Satisfaction," exemplifies an attitude of winning and focuses on the urgency of servicing. At the same time the speaker humorizes and humanizes the perspective of job challenges.

Ms. Rush maintains that the 1990s will challenge us to take one step beyond customer service into the world of customer satisfaction. Planning now is a must. "Starting now, excellence must be the watchword," she stresses.

A native Texan and daughter of recognized leaders in the field of public education, Ms. Rush is a graduate of Baylor University with a degree in communications. She places emphasis on the need for a public relations effort on the part of school employees as they strive to improve their public image and success in the community with students, parents, co-workers and community leaders.

Ms. Rush has addresses such groups as the American Heart Association, Chrysler Corp., Ford Motor Company, General Business Forms, IBM, Mary Kay Cosmetics, Polaroid Corp., Texas Instruments and Westinghouse Electric.



For information, or to register, contact Glenda Crotts in the Office of College Relations, Gardner-Webb College, (704) 434-2361.

New Staff

The following persons have joined the Gardner-Webb College faculty:

Deborah Cody as assistant professor of nursing. A graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill with a BSN, she received her MSN from UNC-CH with clinical specialty in psychiatric nursing.

Mrs. Cody comes to Gardner-Webb from North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Inc. in Winston-Salem. There she was responsible for the delivery of quality patient care and associated management functions for a 40-bed adult/geriatric acute care psychiatric unit and a 20-bed adolescent acute psychiatric unit.

Dolly Meilinger as assistant professor of nursing. A graduate of the Bellevue School of Nursing in New York, she received a BSN from the University of South Carolina at Spartanburg and a master's in nursing from Clemson University. She has also studied advanced nursing of childbearing families at Clemson.

Ms. Meilinger comes to Gardner-Webb from Greenville Memorial Hospital, where she was a part of the on-call pool and served as staff nurse. Her areas included medical/surgical, urology, orthopedics and obstetrics.

Rebecca Beck as instructor of nursing. A graduate of Western Piedmont Community College with an associate's degree in nursing, she holds both a BSN and her master's in nursing from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

Ms. Beck comes to Gardner-Webb from McDowell Hospital in Marion, where she was employed as charge nurse in the intensive care and coronary care units and mobile intensive care nurse in the emergency room.

Dr. Gayle Price as associate professor of English and director of the Learning Assistance Program. An honors graduate of Clemson University with a bachelor's degree in English Education, she also holds a master's in English Education from Clemson and an Ed.D. in English Education from Auburn University.

Dr. Price comes to Gardner-Webb from North Greenville College in Tigerville, S.C., where she was employed as director of the Learning Assistance Center and as associate professor of English.

Dr. Ted Vaughan as associate professor of communications. A graduate of Indiana University School of Music with a bachelor's in instrumental music/trombone, he earned a master's in audiovisual communications, radio and television education from Indiana University. He holds an

Ed.S. in media design and production from Indiana University and an Ed.D. in instructional design and development from New Mexico State University.

Dr. Vaughan comes to Gardner-Webb from the University of South Carolina, where he served as associate professor of media arts. In this position, he taught both undergraduate and graduate level courses and served as liaison with the School of Music and other cultural organizations for the development of the audio program in media arts.

Jean Young as instructor of nursing. A graduate of St. Joseph College in North Windham, Maine with a concentration in nursing education, she graduated with honors from Memorial Mission Hospital School of Nursing in Asheville as a registered nurse.

Mrs. Young comes to Gardner-Webb from Cleveland County Sports Medicine Center for the Shelby City Schools. There she was employed as associate and nurse.

Sherilyn Cannon as instructor of nursing. A graduate of Loma Linda University School of Nursing, she holds a BSN and a minor in education and public health and is a registered nurse.

Ms. Cannon comes to Gardner-Webb from Isothermal Community College, where she was instructor in continuing education in the LPN program.

Linda Johnson as instructor of nursing. A graduate of Clemson University with a BSN, she has done graduate work at the University of South Carolina at Spartanburg.

Mrs. Johnson comes to Gardner-Webb from Spartanburg Methodist College, where she served as director of nurses assistant training. There she coordinated the program, taught lecture material and did lab instruction and clinical training in both nursing home and oncology unit settings.

Dr. Ben Carson as professor of education. A graduate of Catawba College, he holds a master's degree from Furman University and an educational doctorate from the University of Georgia at Athens.

Dr. Carson comes to Gardner-Webb from Statesville. He is the former superintendent of the Statesville City Schools.



Gardner-Webb Receives Visit From Soviet National Wrestling Team

n Wednesday,
Nov. 6 the
Gardner-Webb
wrestling team
was host to the Soviet Youth
National Wrestling Team.
The Soviet team is on tour
of the United States and they
have also wrestled against
Clemson, North Carolina
State University and
Carson-Newman University
in this part of the country.

The Soviet team holds the title of 1990 European Team Champions. The team consists of 10 Soviet National Champions and five European champions.
"Several of the Soviet
wrestlers have a legitimate
chance to compete in the
Olympics," stated
Gardner-Webb Wrestling
Coach Dick Wince.

While on their visit to Gardner-Webb, the Soviet wrestlers stayed in the homes of Gardner-Webb supporters in the Cleveland County area. This provided a valuable cultural experience for the young Soviets. "We figured that the Soviets have been institutionalized enough in

dorms and hotels on their trip. We wanted them to get the opportunity to see what an American family is actually like," said Coach Wince. "I believe that we and the Soviets learned that there are not a great deal of differences between the people here and the people there."

The Soviets seemed to adapt well to American food in the Gardner-Webb cafeteria. According to Coach Wince they have basically liked all the food on their tour except some Mexican food they were treated to in Columbia.

The match itself was very interesting. There were 10 individual matches, five using American Collegiate Rules and five using Freestyle rules, which are used in most international competitions. The Soviets won all 10 matches, but the Gardner-Webb team made a strong showing against some of the world's elite. Several hundred fans turned out for the event.

Throughout
the rest of the
world, amateur
wrestling is
extremely popular,
not only with
those who
participate but
with the public. In
most parts of the
United States,
amateur wrestling

is not a popular spectator sport. However, it is growing in popularity and is already very popular in some places, such as Pennsylvania. Three NCAA Division I schools added the sport this season and there are 19 Division I wrestling programs in the state of Pennsylvania alone. In the state of North Carolina there are presently nine colleges sponsoring wrestling programs.

1991 Men's Basketball Outlook

he 1991-92 Gardner-Webb baskelball season opened with a great deal of optimism. The return of eight lettermen and the addition of five talented players gives second-year coach Jim Johnson the firepower to be one of the top teams in the South Atlantic Conference and possibly the country.

The 'Dogs proved that much of the optimism was well founded during a four-game, five-day stretch to open the season. Number seven nationally ranked Brimingham-Southern was the foe as the Bulldogs dropped their opener 83-79 in the Belmont Abbey Tournament. Coker College fell victim to the Bulldogs the next night by a 73-70 score in overtime.

The Bulldogs returned home for the 11th annual Rotary Dixie Classic to face the Panthers of High Point College. After jumping to a 19-point halftime lead, the 'Dogs held on to win 72-70 to set up a meeting with the Pfeiffer Falcons, ranked number three in the nation. According to Gardner-Webb coach Jim Johnson, "Pfeiffer brought out the best in us. It was a total team effort." Jules Springs scored 20 points and grabbed 10 rebounds in the 84-59 victory and was named the Tournament MVP.

The 6'5" Springs is a leading candidate for All-American and SAC Player of the Year honors this season. Last season, Springs led the SAC and the team with a 20.1 scoring average and also contributed 5.5 rebounds per game.

Also returning in the frontcourt are 6'2" Jerry Chollette and 6'7" Pat Colson. Chollette is a blue-collar player who always seems to be around the basketball when good things happen. He averaged 12.1

points and 6.8 rebounds per contest last season. Colson is another senior that should have a big year. Last season he averaged 11.7 points and 6.9 rebounds per game. His most amazing statistic was his 88 blocked shots.

Last year's starting backcourt of Purvis Dukes and Greg Ross return. Even though they usually do not pile up impressive offensive statistics, this duo plays solid defense and provides much needed leadership.

Returning from last year's team to provide depth are 6'3" Mike Lane, 6'9" Bruce Harris and 6'2" Nate Dixon. Lane is an explosive athlete that could become a force in the SAC if he continues to improve his raw skills. He averaged 8.2 points and 3.6 rebounds last season. Harris provides size and strength

behind Colson in the paint. He is not a big scorer but can defend against larger post players and provide valuable rebounding. Dixon is a role player who originally walked on at Gardner-Webb.

After missing the last two seasons, Art Hinton is finally ready to make his mark. The nephew of former Gardner-Webb star Eddie Wilkins, the 6'7", Hinton gives coach Johnson a low-post scorer and rebounder that was needed at times last season.

Four freshmen arrived on the Gardner-Webb campus this fall as Jim Johnson's first full recruiting class.

Billy Palagonia arrives from St. Thomas More Academy

where he attended prep school for a year. The 5'10" New Yorker is an excellence ball handler who fits the stereotypical image of the true point guard. David McMahan is a 6'3" wing from Gastonia's Ashbrook. A fantastic outside shooter, he was named MVP in the North Carolina AAU 19 and under tournament last spring. Lance Bain is a 6'6" forward who is the best athlete among the freshmen. Bain was a major college football prospect before breaking his leg. He missed his senior basketball season and may have slipped through the nets of the Division I programs. Kenneth Nelson is a 6'4" wing who comes to Gardner-Webb after an impressive high school career at Bishop-England High School in Charleston, S.C. Nelson is a strong player who can nail the mid-range jumper.

Coach Johnson and the Bulldogs have set their sights on a trip to the NAIA tournament in Kansas City, but first they must endure the rigors of the tough South

Atlantic Conference and District 26. "We believe that we could be a very good team this season, but in our conference everyone will be good," says Johnson.

"We feel like the program is headed in the right direction. The young men in our program are doing the job in the classroom and on the court. Runnin' Bulldog fans are accustomed to success and we aim to give them that success."

The Gardner-Webb schedule can be described as very challenging this season. After Christmas, the Bulldogs journey to Florida for tough games against Division II foes Florida Tech and Florida Southern. "Our schedule will be a test. There is not a weak opponent to be found. However, we should be up to the challenge," Johnson says.

1991-92 MEN'S BASKETBALL GARDNER-WEBB

	DEIG	Орронени	Site	Time
Nov	22	Belmont Abbey Tipoff Tourn	Away	7:00
Nov.	23	(Belmont Abbey, Birmingham		7:00
		Southern, Coker, GWC)		
Nov.	25	ROTARY DIXIE CLASSIC	Home	6:30
Nov.	26	(High Point, Newberry, Pfeiffer)		
Dec	4	Belmont Abbey	Home	7:30
Dec	7	USC-Spartanburg	Away	7:30
Jan.	2	Florida Tech	Away	7 30
Jan	4	Florida Southern	Away	7 30
Jan	8	Carson-Newman	Home	7:30
Jan	11	Mars Hill	Away	7:30
Jan.	13	Presbyterian	Home	7:30
Jan	15	Lenoir-Rhyne	Away	7:30
Jan	18	Wingate	Away	7 30
Jan.	20	Lees-McRae	Home	7.30
Jan.	22	Elon	Home	7 30
Jan.	25	Catawba	Home	7 30
Jan.	27	Limestone	Away	7 30
Jan	29	Longwood	Home	7 30
Feb	1	Presbyterian	Away	7.30
Feb	5	Carson-Newman	Away	7 30
Feb	8	Mars Hill	Home	7 30
Feb	10	Elon	Away	7 30
Feb	12	Lenoir-Rhyne	Home	7.30
Feb	15	Wingale	Home	7:30
Feb	19	Western Carolina	Away	7 30
Feb	22	Catawba	Away	7 30
Feb	27	South Atlantic Conference	TBA	TBA
Feb	28	South Atlantic Conference	TBA	TBA
Feb	29	South Atlantic Conference	TBA	TBA
Mar	9	District 26 Tournament	TBA	TBA
Mar	11	District 26 Tournament	TBA	TBA

1991-92 Women's Outlook

hat do you do for an encore after last year's conference tournament final at Gardner-Webb? Even though they came out on the short end of the stick, the Lady Bulldogs capped off Brenda Halford's first year as head coach in a style befitting the excitement of the 1990-91 season.

The 1991-92 season could be a very successful one for the Lady Bulldogs. Three full-time starters return and two other players that started at times last season are back.

Fredia Lawrence heads the list of returnees. The senior forward from Lawndale averaged 17.9 points and 11.7 points last season and was named to the All-South Atlantic Conference team. Fredia will be a strong contender for All-American honors and SAC Player of the Year.

Val Crowell can be one of the most dominating figures in the league when she avoids foul trouble. The 6'2" center averaged 12.5 points and 9.4 rebounds per contest last season. Val may be the key ingredient if the Lady Bulldogs are to challenge for the conference championship. She was named second-team all-conference last season and made the All-South Atlantic Conference Tournament team.

Mickie Drum returns to the point guard spot after being named Freshman of the Year last season. The creative spark-plug of the team, Drum averaged 5.7 assists per game last season in addition to her 10.1 points per contest.

Lisa Campbell returns to her second guard spot this season after averaging 9.4 points per game last season while splitting time with Roslyn Edwards. She is a scrappy defensive player and can be

an explosive scorer.

1991-92 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL GARDNER-WEBB

hte		Opponent	Site	Time
	22-23	Alston Bridges Tip-Off Tourn	Home	
1	.2.23	USC-Spartanburg vs N Ga		6:30
1		Losers from Friday		2 00
		Winners from Friday		4 00
20	25	North Georgia	Away	7:00
A.	27	Limestone	Home	5 45
٧,	2	Cent Wesleyan	Away	6 00
ic	4	Lincoln-Memorial	Home	5.45
)C	7	USC-Spartanburg	Away	5 30
>0	14	Lincoln-Memorial	Away	6 00
7	4	Presbyterian	Home	
1	6	Queens	Away	7 00
11	8	Carson-Newman	Home	5 45
	11	Mars Hill	Away	
71	15	Lenoir-Rhyne	Away	5 45
ţn	18	Wingate	Away	
h	20	Lees-McRae	Home	5 45
T	22	Elon	Home	
¥1	25	Catawba	Home	
'n	27	Limestone	Away	
r b	1	Presbyterian	Away	
b	3	Queens	Home	
ь	5	Carson-Newman	Away	
b	8	Mars Hill	Home	
(D	10	Elon	Away	
ь	12	Lenoir-Rhyne	Home	
D	15	Wingate	Home	
(1)	17	Catawba	Away	
b-b	20.22	SAC Tournament	Home	TBA
leb.	25.27	District 26 Tournament	TBA	TBA

Toni Brown is the leading candidate for the power forward position but could be pushed by Jackie Lyon. Brown averaged 5.1 points and 4.5 rebounds per game last season in a reserve role. She can score in explosive spurts when she garners a great deal of playing time.

Coach Brenda Halford plans to use an up-tempo attack this season. Keys for the team's success this season will be the ability to maintain baseline to baseline defensive pressure and push the ball up the court.

Whenever change takes place, it can serve as a catalyst for tremendous growth. In May 1990 Dick Wince was named as head wrestling coach at Gardner-Webb. Since that time the Gardner-Webb wrestling program has moved from the infancy stages to the toddler stages and has shown signs that it will grow into a healthy program.

Coach Wince has promoted amateur wrestling in the Cleveland County area and has become involved in national and statewide competitions. This has provided credibility to the Gardner-Webb program and has enabled Wince to recruit a higher quality of student-athlete to the Gardner-Webb campus.

The 1991-92 season looks to be a strong year for the Bulldog grapplers even though their overall record may not reflect it because they will be wrestling several NCAA Division I opponents. The strengths of the team will be more abundant this season. Coach Dick Wince says, "With a year in our system the young men who are returning will be much better. We are much deeper which creates more competition at practice so everyone has to work harder to improve. We will be a good takedown team and most of our young men will be good technicians."

It is evident that Wince has increased confidence in his young team, but he also advises a word of caution. "We need to be tougher and not so easily intimidated. Our guys must realize that we have become a legitimate collegiate wrestling team and we must eliminate the club team mentality that accompanies so many young programs," he says.

Heading the list of returnees for the 'Dogs will be Jon Jordan and Shawn Watson. Jordan competed last season in the NAIA National Tournament and looks to repeat with a strong senior season. Shawn Watson has already qualified for the 1992 NAIA Nationals with his third-place finish in the Pembroke Invitationals in early November.

Several newcomers will provide immediate help. Jeff Lail is a junior college transfer who will probably start in the 158- or 150-pound weight class. Kenny Miller is another junior college transfer who will probably start in the 118-pound weight class. Two freshman will probably make

an immediate impact on the team. Chuck Newberry is a Georgia state champion in the 167-pound weight class. Adam Goodall, from Manatee High School in Bradenton, Fla., will wrestle in the 142-pound weight class.

1991 Wrestling Outlook

Greetings!

What do you remember most about your years at the Webb? Is it the classes, the buildings or perhaps the professors? Could it be the rules, the ball games or the food in the cafeteria? If you are like me, and I suspect that most of you are, it's your classmates.

Do you remember the first person you dated at Gardner-Webb? Do you remember the first student you met after arriving on campus? Do you remember the names of the people you shared a lab table with?

Are there special people with whom you shared a bond that you swore would never be broken? Were there people, from those days, with whom you shared your innermost thoughts, fears and dreams? I'll bet there were!

Those people are what Gardner-Webb College is all about. The college never has been and never will be primarily about books and buildings and ball games. It is, it always has been, and it shall forever be about people. The college's reason for being is to offer a place where people can meet people and together education can take place. It is to offer the opportunity whereby people who know can share with those who want to know and need to know. That translates into people.

For some of you, your days at the Webb have just ended and the memories are as fresh as this morning's newspaper. For most of us time has passed, we have moved on with our lives, and our memories have yellowed a bit and may even have a few wrinkles in them that didn't exist a few years ago. However long it has been since you were a student there are still memories of the friends we made on a little campus, as the late Grady Nutt described it "seven miles from the nearest known sin". (He didn't know how far it was to Gaffney.)

What your A l u m n i Association is all about is people. As President of the A l u m n i Association, let me challenge you to take out the annuals. Wipe the



dust from their covers. Look inside them and remember. Find a few old friends you haven't seen in awhile and get in touch with them. If you don't know where they are, call the college. If the office has an address for your friend they will be happy to share it with you.

Let me suggest one more thing. Plan a trip, with those reclaimed friends, to the college. Go to a ball game. Go eat at Quik Snack (it's still where it was when I left in '75). Walk around campus. See the renovated student center. Relive old memories. One thing more I hope you'll do is renew the old Bulldog Spirit!

Blessings, David R. Troutman, President GWC Alumni Association

Merry Christmas!

Reflecting on the past year brings to mind the many reasons I have to be thankful. Because many of these reasons involve you, I want to share them.

Returning to Gardner-Webb in January as a newlywed and inexperienced alumni director surfaced many anxieties, but the genuinely caring spirit of the "Webb family" smoothed the transition and buried the fears.

What a wonderful blessing it has been meeting many of you and developing friendships. Our alumni give us many reasons to be proud.

Alumni participation in on-campus events continues to grow. And despite a declining economy so many of you have continued, and have even increased, your support of the Annual Fund. This was proven by the success of the recently-completed student phonathon, during which more than \$38,000 was pledged.

At this time in history, when the majority of the population's interests continue to be self-centered, it is encouraging to see so many Gardner-Webb graduates giving -- giving to their communities, their churches and their alma mater. This characteristic has always set us apart and, by the grace of God, it always will.

I am grateful for the blessings of this year -- in the life of the College and in my own life as well. Thank you for adding to those blessings.

As you enter the holiday season, may the celebration of Christmas afford you the unlimited opportunities to share love and happiness and may the spirit of Christmas -- of Christ -- continue in your hearts throughout the new year.

Mickey Sharpe

2Alumni Honored

Blackburn, Anderson Recognized as Distinguished Alumni



ardner-Webb
College honored
two distinguished
alumni during
Homecoming 1991. Dr.
Gilmer W. Blackburn of the
Class of 1960 was honored
as Alumnus of the Year and
Erin Russell Anderson of the
Class of 1976 as Young
Alumnus of the Year.

Anderson is Chief of Public Affairs for the United States Command in Berlin. After earning a bachelor's degree in English from

Gardner-Webb, he studied international relations at Boston University. He served nine years in the U.S. Air Force and began a civilian career with the U.S. Government in 1986.

He is responsible for organizing the first American relief effort for East European refugees in Berlin in 1989. At that time he was named deputy Public Affairs Officer for the U.S. Command in Berlin and assigned to the Allied Kommandatura Staff, which coordinated Allied activities in West Berlin and military relations with the West Berlin government. When the Berlin Wall fell in 1989, he assisted the international press corp in covering the story for the American sector.

Today Anderson is responsible for the public affairs activities of the U.S. military community, including the U.S. Army, Air Force and Navy. He serves as a liaison with the U.S. State Department as well as the British, French, German and Soviet public information staffs. He manages a 20-member German and American staff that conducts three overall programs -- Internal Information for the U.S. community; Community Relations, designed to promote friendship and understanding among the American community and Berlin; and Public Information, which relates the U.S. military story in Berlin to Germany through print and electronic media.

Russ and his wife, Lynn Brady Anderson, live in Berlin with their 4-year-old son.

Dr. Blackburn, who is Associate Vice President and Dean of Academic Affairs at Gardner-Webb, has been described as "a master teacher with a commitment to Christian higher education, a published author, an accomplished athlete, a first-rate speech writer, a respected Boy Scoutmaster and a churchman of the highest order."

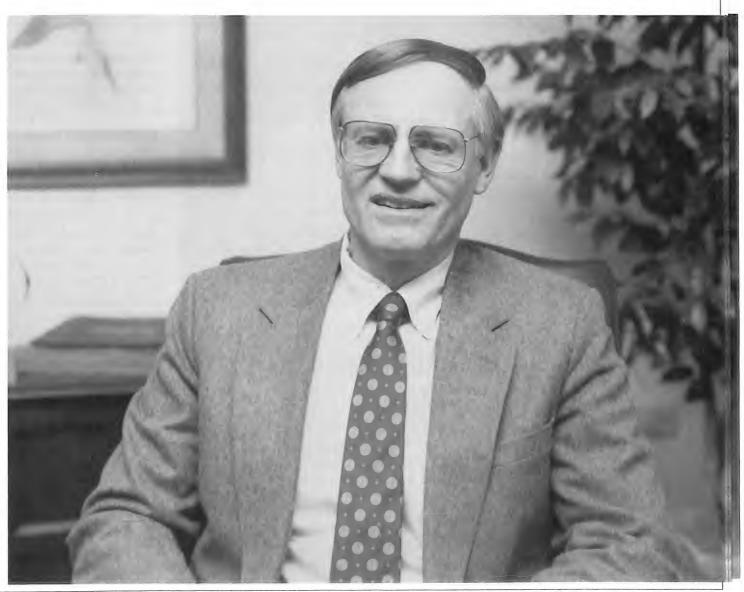
A native of Mount Airy, Dr. Blackburn graduated from Gardner-Webb in 1960 with an associate of arts degree. He earned a bachelor's degree in history from Wake Forest University in 1962 and a master's in European history in 1967. In 1975 he earned a Ph.D. in educational foundations and history from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

He and his wife, Martha, are residents of Boiling Springs. His community involvement includes service as organization chairman for the United Way, as a Sunday School teacher and Deacon at Boiling Springs Baptist Church and as a Scoutmaster for the Boy Scouts of America for more than 20 years.

A true scholar, Dr. Blackburn's expert knowledge of German history has taken him from the classroom to the United Nations Plaza in New York City as lecturer and panelist. In addition, he has authored many articles and a book, "Education in the Third Reich: A Study of Race and History in Nazi Textbooks."

Dr. Blackburn has been the recipient of many honors and awards, including the Faculty Merit Award for Teaching Excellence at Gardner-Webb, the 20-Year Service Award from the Boy Scouts of America and a University Fellowship at Wake Forest University.

The awards were presented during Gardner-Webb's Alumni Banquet.



- '91 Pamela P. Huntley has joined the staff of Isothermal Community College as the supplemental instruction coordinator in Student Support Services. Since 1989, she has served Isothermal as a tutor in algebra, physics, geology, biology, calculus and English. The mother of three children, she and her husband, Billy, live in Spindale.
- '91 Fred Hutchens was promoted to Safety Coordinator for Crescent Electric Menbership Corporation in Statesville. He and his wife, Kathryn, reside in Taylorsville.
- '91 C. Jane Harris received a master's degree in social work in May from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She is employed by the Cleveland County Employee Assistance Program.
- '90 Evonne Moore Washington was recently appointed manager and funeral director of McEachern Funeral Home. She is a notary public and a member of the Richmond County Involvement Council. She and her husband, Richard, have two daughters, ages 6 and 3.
- '90 Mary Lou Greene recently passed the uniform Certified Public Accountant Examination. She is married to Ronnie Greene and is an Accountant for Sara Lee Direct in Winston-Salem.

The '80s

- '89 Melanie Helderman Mowery has been nominated for First Union's Outstanding Educator of the Year award. She is a fifth grade teacher at Thomasboro Elementary in Charlotte. She and her husband, Steven, reside in Charlotte.
- '89 Miriam Elizabeth Lamb recently received her master's degree in education from Converse College in Spartanburg, S.C.

- '88 Patricia Carol Westbrooks is now employed as a senior staff nurse on the Forensic Psychiatry Unit at Georgia Mental Health Institute in Atlanta where she is also the evening shift supervisor. She resides in Stone Mountain, Ga.
- '88 Ron Drum has been named branch manager of the Shelby main office of First Union National Bank. He joined First Union in 1977 as consumer loan manager in Shelby and later became manager of the Cleveland Mall office in Shelby, where he served eight years. He is a member of the Shelby Optimist Club and the Cleveland County Builders Association.
- '88 Brent E. Winslow is finance and Benefits Manager with Briggs-Shaffner Company in Winston Salem. '88 Cara Barker Winslow is an Adult Service Social Worker II for Yadkin County Department of Social Services. They reside in Yadkinville.
- '87 Dewey G. Lusk has been named assistant football coach and baseball Coach at Emory and Henry College. He and his wife, Mily Dover Lusk, reside in Bristol, Va.
- '87 Kip Cloninger has been named head football and baseball coach and athletic director at Holston High School in Damascus, Va. He and his wife, Margaret, reside in Abingdon, Va.
- '87 Shannon Waters was recently honored during the 21st commencement exercises for the physician assistant program of the Bowman Gray School of Medicine. She has been employed at Caldwell Memorial Hospital for 10 years and has experience in the cardiac, dialysis, nursery and emergency departments. She holds certificates in Advanced Cardiac Life Support, Basic Trauma Life Support, Trauma Nurse Core Curriculum, Emergency Nurses Cancel Alcohol Related Emergencies and has been an active mobile intensive care nurse for the past three years. She has also worked part-time for Caldwell Community College serving as a

- clinical instructor. She is working toward her master's degree in nursing.
- '87 Sally Owens Matheny recently earned a master's in education from Converse College in Spartanburg, S.C.
- '86 Mary Willoughby Hartman recently earned a master's in education from Converse College in Spartanburg, S.C.
- '86 Belinda Gilbert Wade recently earned a master's in education from Converse College in Spartanburg, S.C.
- '86 R. Todd Allran, CPA, has been promoted to general services manager of the Hickory office of McGladrey & Pullen, Certified Public Accountants & Consultants. His focus is assisting closely held businesses with general accounting and business management, with concentration in furniture and manufacturing. He and his wife, Allison, and daughter, Alex, live in Lincolnton.
- '86 Anna Thomasson Feather and '85 Keith F. Feather now reside in Union, S.C. Keith is Associate Pastor of Education & Family Life at Tabernacle Baptist Church in Union. Anna is a textile chemist for Cone Mills in Carlisle, S.C.
- '85 Maxine O. Parsons is working on her MBA at Winthrop Collge in Rock Hill, S.C. She is Assistant Finance Director with the City of Kings Mountain. She and her husband, Robert, reside in Boiling Springs.
- '85 Keith F. Feather and '86 Anna Thomasson Feather now reside in Union, S.C. Keith is Associate Pastor of Education & Family Life at Tabernacle Baptist Church in Union. Anna is a textile chemist for Cone Mills in Carlisle, S.C.
- '85 Lisa C. Atkins Ballantyne recently had an original inspirational poem, "Jesus' First Christmas," selected for publication in Poetic

- Voice of America. Her husband, Bruce, owns Highland Dental Lab where she is secretary and bookkeeper. They reside in Waynesville.
- '84 Jeffrey Hudgins is now associate pastor at Berea Baptist Church in Fredericksburg, Va.
- '84 Sylvia A. White was recently presented the Newton-Conover High School Teacher of the Year award.
- '84 Jeff Black and '82 Sherri Williams Black now reside in Cowpens, S.C. Jeff is pastor of Mt. Olive Baptist Church. They have two children, Adam, 6, and Katie, 3.
- '83 Dianne Davis Murray recently received a master's in education from Converse College in Spartanburg, S.C. She is a teacher at Ruth School in Rutherfordton.
- '83 Tanya Little Foster is a rehabilitation specialist for Intracorp. She and her husband, Mark, reside in Catawba.
- '83 Trish Loudermilt recently received certification from the National Science Teachers Association (NSTA). NSTA certification seeks to improve the quality of science teaching by recognizing teachers who are well qualified. Trish has been a teacher at Cool Spring Elementary School, where she teaches fourth, fifth and sixth grades, since 1984.
- '82 Bill Barber recently accepted the pastorate at Seventh Avenue Baptist Church in Gastonia. He had served as pastor for the last 4 1/2 years in Owego, New York. He and his wife, Michele, reside in Gastonia.
- '82 Robert L. Hunter recently received a Doctor of Philosophy degree in Religion and Society from Oxford Graduate School in Dayton, Tenn. Dr. Hunter was also inducted into the Oxford Society of Scholars at the initiate level. He is pastor at

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ach year as the lights go on in McAdenville, transforming the small North Carolina town into a holiday wonderland, Beth Padgett recalls the stories of her own family's Christmases spent there.

As a child she, too, learned to treasure the magic of the twinkling lights.

It was not until last Christmas, following the loss of both her mother and father, that Miss Padgett decided to capture the magic of her memories in a song.

Miss Padgett, who is the daughter of the late Rev. Wilson and Hillary Padgett, graduated from Gardner-Webb in 1983. Her teaching career took her to Miami, Fla, where she spent five years teaching with the Dade County Schools.

Following the illnesses and deaths of her parents — her mother in November, 1989 and her father in March, 1990 — Miss Padgett was led home. When a teaching position opened with the McAdenville Schools shortly after her father's death, she felt compelled to "come home ... to the town he loved".

"I felt like it was a special call to come back to my roots," says Miss Padgett. Even though she is a Shelby native, she says her parents had loved McAdenville so much. And, she says, the family returned there every Christmas to see the lights -- a tradition her

father helped begin in 1956 while a pastor at McAdenville Baptist Church.

While trying to decide whether to accept the teaching position, Miss Padgett says she found a says, quoting her mother's letter.

"This helped me with my decision to come home," says the young woman.

Last fall, her first year back in North Carolina, Miss Padgett was caught up symbolic of the Padgett family's love of music. Mrs. Padgett studied music at Gardner-Webb before going on to Asheville College and Appalachian State Teacher's College. It was at Gardner-Webb that she met and fell in love with her husband, who was studying religion and was a member of the College's Men's Quartet. He later studied at Wake Forest and at Southwestern Seminary. "She was a cheerleader and he played basketball at Gardner-Webb ... that's how they met," their daughter says. They both graduated in 1942. Miss Padgett says that both her parents were musical, explaining "she was classical, he was country".

Today the young woman, who is a substitute teacher in Gaston County and teaches private piano, says she feels she has found her legacy. "My roots are forged through the footsteps, those wonderful, huge steps of my father. Peace falls on my heart at Christmas as I realize I am home."

(The Rev. Wilson Padgett served as a member of the Gardner-Webb College Board of Trustees. The Padgetts' three daughters, Becky Padgett Wilkinson, Paula Padgett Sutherland, and Beth Padgett, are graduates of Gardner-Webb and their son, Woody Padgett, attended Gardner-Webb.)

"Christmas Town" Captures Spirit of Padgett Family

Christmas Town is my hometown
My own special touch of heaven
There's no other town that can compare
To this beautiful fairy land.
Twinkling lights line every tree
Travelers can't believe
The beauty their eyes now see
In this "Winter Wonderland".
It must have been like my Christmas Town
The night the angels really sang
That first Christmas so long ago
When Heaven's bells really rang.

Christmas Town is my hometown My own special touch of heaven I'll love you forever and ever my home My beautiful "Christmas Town"!

letter her mother had written about her favorite Christmas. The letter told how much that one Christmas had meant to her as a young wife and mother whose husband was serving a pastorate in the small town. "She thought her heart would burst with the joy of Christmas that she felt there," Miss Padgett

in McAdenville's holiday spirit. "It was October and the workers were trimming the trees," she recalls. "The children (in the classroom) were excited. I wrote a song for them to sing in the Christmas production and at the Yule Log Parade."

The song, which is written to a folk tune, is also

- the Beulaville Baptist Church in Beulaville.
- '82 Sherri Williams Black and '84 Jeff Black now reside in Cowpens, S.C. Jeff is pastor of Mt. Olive Baptist Church. They have two children, Adam, 6, and Katie, 3.
- '82 Sara N. Whetstine recently received the Educational Specialist Degree from Converse College in Spartanburg, S.C.
- '81 Gary W. Bridges has been named an assistant vice president at First Citizens Bank in Marion. He serves as manager of the Northside branch.
- '81 Risa Ann Pless is Assistant Director of Admissions at Chowan College. She resides in Murfreesboro.
- '81 Joe Hugh Hopper Jr. recently received the Educational Specialist Degree from Converse College in Spartanburg, S.C.
- '81 Sandra McDonald Nanney recently received a master's in education from Converse College in Spartanburg, S.C.
- '80 Susan Morgan now works with Sprint long distance company as a Network Technical Engineer specializing in system and software development. She lives in Spartanburg, S.C.
- '80 Tammy Grindstaff McCracken now works for Grindstaff's Interiors as corporate and business development manager. She and her husband, Rodney, have two sons, Mark Brian, 7, and Jeff Tyler, 5.
- '80 Kelly England Carpenter recently received a master's in education from Converse College in Spartanburg, S.C.

The '70s

- '79 George Thomas Swinney recently accepted the position of Director of Family Services with Georgia Baptist Children's Homes and Family Ministries in Baxley. He moved from Savannah to Baxley this fall.
- '79 Cheryl A. Washburn was recently promoted to lead worker in Adult Services with the Haywood County Department of Social Services in Waynesville. She has been with the agency since 1984.
- '77 Rob Hefner and his wife, Phyllis, and son, Ray, returned to the mission field in July after a two-year leave. Hefner had been serving as pastor at Mount Pleasant Church in Mooresboro since 1989. The couple will be serving as missionaries in the southern region of Ceara, Brazil.
- '77 Cindy McGraw Frick and her husband, Terry, moved to Poughkeepsie, N.Y. in June. Cindy is a housewife and mother of two sons, James, 9, and Jeffrey, 6.
- '76 Sharon Saunders Starr graduated from the University of North Carolina school of nursing in May 1990, and had taught nursing at Robeson Community College until recently. She and her husband, Kevin, now reside in Lincolnton.
- '76 Charles C. Penley Jr. has accepted the pastorate of New Friendship Baptist Church in Winston-Salem. He and his wife, Becky, have two children, Ben and Heather. Charles formerly served Mills Home Church in Thomasville.
- '76 Vickie A. Hogan has been included in Who's Who in American Nursing, 1990-1991. She has also been listed in Who's Who Among Human Service Providers, 1991-1992. She works at Thoms Rehabilitation Hospital and lives in Asheville.

- '75 Shirley Tennyson Scruggs recently received a master's degree in elementary education. She has also been selected as a national workshop leader for Success in Reading and Writing, Good Year Books, Inc. She is employed by Spartanburg School District Three. She and her husband, James Ronald, live in Cowpens.
- '75 Randy C. Gardner has accepted a position as pastoral counselor with WestGate Training and Consultation Network of Spartanburg, S.C. He and his wife, Sara, live in Gaffney, S.C.
- '75 Frank Morehead has been named head football coach at Tar Heel High School. He lives in Bladen County.
- '74 Joy White has been selected as the Region Six winner of the Governor's Award for Excellence in the Teaching of Mathematics. She has taught at Crest High School in Shelby for 10 years. She and her husband, Bobby, have two daughters, Megan and Leah.
- '74 Mayson Easterling was recently named executive director of denominational relations at North Greenville College. He has been with North Greenville College since 1977 with such posts as admission director, associate director of financial aid and Baptist Student Union Director.
- '73 Barry A. Robarge has been named manager of the National Bank of South Carolina's Summerville office.
- '73 Linda Blanton McCurry recently received a master's in education from Converse College in Spartanburg, S.C.
- '71 Jackie Hamilton McClung is the new director for Sarepta Baptist Association in Athens, Ga. He and his wife, Novella, are employed by the Home Missions Board of the Southern Baptist Church and live in Athens.

The **'60**s

- '68 Aileen Dunevant Smith was recently selected as one of the Great 100 Registered Nurses in North Carolina for 1991. Aileen is a nurse in the intensive care unit at Forsyth Menorial Hospital and is also a part-time nursing instructor at Davidson County Community College. She and her husband, George, have two sons, Jason, 16, and Justin, 13.
- '65 Clota Martina Henson DeNoville and her husband, Ron, reside in Atlanta, Ga., where Clota is a housewife.
- '65 Marsha Whitley Martin and her husband, Sid, now reside in Kotzebue, Alaska, where Sid is a pastor for the Home Mission Board. Kotzebue is the largest Eskimo village above the Artic Circle.
- '62 Rev. Dr. Timm Peterson is now teaching philosophy and ethics at Triton College in River Grove, Ill. He is also teaching psychology at Daley College in Chicago.
- '61 Janelle Q. Young is now at Harbin Shipbuilding Engineering Institute in Harbin Heilongjiang, People's Republic of China.

The '50s

'56 - Richard T. Brittian and his wife, Joyce, reside in Gastonia where Richard is a cost accountant for Wix Corporation.

The '40s

'48 - Eugene Cole, minister of music and religious education at Hopewell Baptist Church in Morganton will retire Dec. 31. He has served five churches in four states for the past 35 years. He resides in Morganton.









Hopkins Makes His Mark

Bobby Hopkins made his mark on Gardner-Webb College before graduating in 1981. Since that time, he has been busy making his mark on life.

Hopkins, who left Gardner-Webb with a degree in business, played football all four years. He was named All-Conference player and received an All American honorable mention. In addition, the student athlete was a member of the track team for three years, being named Most Valuable Player each of those years - '79, '80 and '81.

Since graduating, Hopkins has continued to be in the forefront -- in more ways than one. A plastering contractor by occupation, Hopkins is a former United States Football League offensive guard.

The Fort Pierce, Fla., resident has, in the past 10 years, been named to the All American National Strength Team for Football and has been named four-time World Arm Wrestling Champion. He holds 18 national titles for arm wrestling, a career he maintained for seven years.

For the past few years Hopkins has been active in Mike Barber Ministries, Inc., a Texas-based Christian group. The group is led by Barber, a former professional football player. The group is devoted to prison ministry, travelling on weekends to

share God's message with inmates across the country.

The Arm Bender, a trade publication for those interested in arm wrestling, published an article in March entitled, "What Ever Happened to Bobby Hopkins?" The article describes Hopkins as "a rock-hard 300-pounder ... using his talents as a lifter and speaker to enlighten others about how God has moved his life."

Hopkins, the article promotes, has bench pressed more than 600 pounds and performed a series of push-ups with a 400-plus-pound corrections officer sitting on his back.

Hopkins told <u>The Arm Bender</u>, "The prison ministry is the greatest thing I've ever been involved in and it's got me excited.

"I've seen so many miracles happen," he said, "The power of God is real. It's so real. The prisons are just like trees of fruit that are just ripening, and it just takes someone to go and harvest them."

In addition to his prison ministry, Hopkins has served as associate pastor at the Church of the Living Word for the past three years. He is an active supporter of the D.A.R.E. program, often taking his message of "Just Say No" to drugs into the schools.

ardner-Webb graduates Mark McMasters and Brad Riddle, along with an associate, Dr. John Graham, have formed "Expressions of His Love," a crusade and ministry team based out of Grace Baptist Tabernacle in Charleston, S.C.

The revival-type crusades are held over a three-night period during the week. Services include worship in praise and song, dramatic mime presentations and a spoken message.

In conjunction with the services, Dr. Graham also leads seminars during the day. The seminars address areas of special needs or concerns, dealing with such topics as marriage and family, parenting, personal growth, grace, etc.

McMasters, who utilizes drama, mime and communications in his delivery, is a 1980 graduate of Gardner-Webb with a degree in religion. He also holds a one-year degree from the Dell'Arte School of Mime and Comedy, CA and has studied with Carlo Mazzone-Clemti, former partner of Marceal Marceau. McMasters has traveled throughout the United States since 1984, sharing Christ through mime and theatrical clowing. His stages have included churches, rallies, conferences and revivals. In addition, he is a pastor and

evangelist with Grace Baptist Tabernacle.

Riddle is the worship leader and soloist. A 1981 graduate of Gardner-Webb with a degree in music education, he holds a Master of Divinity from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Texas. He has led evangelistic teams, one of which traveled the east coast, and has served as a worship leader for seven years. He is a pastor and worship leader at Grace Baptist Tabernacle.

Dr. Graham, a former professor of psychology at Gardner-Webb College, holds a master's degree in psychology from Western Kentucky University and his Ph.D. in professional counseling from Purdue University. He is pastor of Grace Baptist Tabernacle serves as psychotherapist with Adonikam Foundation and Resurrection Counseling both Services, Charleston.

For more information on "Expressions of His Love" please contact Mark McMasters, P.O. Box 31845, Charleston, S.C. 29417, or call (803) 552-4402 or (803) 871-8411.

Two Alumni Part of Ministry Team

The '90s

- '91 Madge Merinda Arrowood and Odell William Grant Jr. were married July 31 in Shelby. The bride is a licensed beautician. The bridegroom is employed by Lithium Corporation of America. They are residing in Bessemer City.
- '91 Teresa Goforth and Terry Lawrence Cranfill were married in October at Cliffside Baptist Church. The bride is employed by Tanners Co. in Rutherfordton. The bridegroom works in quality control for The Texwipe Co. in Kernersville.
- '91 Lori Ann Toms and Ronnie Steve Moore were married June 8. The bride is employed at Harris-Teeter Supermarket in Forest City as an office manager. The bridegroom is employed by Moore's Auto Sales. They reside on Old Stonecutter Road in Rutherfordton.
- '91 Paul D. Monk and '90 Kammie K. McPherson were married June 15 at Macedonia Baptist Church in Gastonia. The bride is employed by the Gaston County Schools as a teacher. The bridegroom is supervisor of recreation for Mt. Holly. They reside in Gastonia.
- '90 Cherl Lynn Blanton and Gary Daniel Borders were married Sept. 14 in Shelby. The bride is employed at Gaston Memorial Hospital as a registered nurse. The bridegroom is employed as a carpenter with Beam and Edwards Construction.
- '90 Ladonna Ann Hayes and Phillip Stacy Greene were married July 21. The bride is the owner and operator of Wolff's Electric Beach Tanning Salon in Forest City. The bridegroom is the owner and operator of The Racing Connection. The couple reside in Forest City.
- '90 Kathy Diane Foster Young and Samuel E. Young II were recently married. Kathy is currently teaching 6th grade reading and spelling at Colonial Heights Middle School where she was voted Beginning Teacher of the Year. Her husband is employed by the Colonial Heights Police Department. They reside in Colonial Heights, Va.
- '90 Mike Ponto and '89 Bettina Long were married in September. The bride is a buyer for NCNB. The bridegroom is a salesman for

White Business Machines. They reside in Charlotte.

- '90 Andrea Leigh Spears and '90 Kenneth Lee Lyall were married Saturday, Sept. 21 at Welcome Home Baptist Church. The bride is a teacher at Millers Creek Primary School. The bridegroom is a teacher at North Wilkesboro Elementary School. They live at Route 3, Wilhar.
- '90 Kammie K. McPherson and Paul D. Monk '91 were married June 15 at Macedonia Baptist Church in Gastonia. The bride is employed by Gaston County School as a teacher. The bridegroom is supervisor of recreation for Mt. Holly. They reside in Gastonia.
- '90 Robert Shawn Lewis and Pamela Dawn Jestes were married June 15 at Berean Baptist Church in Boone. The bride is a 1988 graduate of Wilkes Central High School and is a rising senior at Gardner-Webb. The bridegroom is employed by the Hickory Daily Record. They reside in Boiling Springs.

The '80s

- '89 Bettina Long and Mike Pondo '90 were married in September. The bride is a buyer for NCNB. The bridegroom is a salesman for White Business Machines. They reside in Charlotte.
- '89 Tamara Kay Travis and Patrick John McCord were recently married. The bride is employed with an advertising specialty company. The bridegroom is employed as a golf professional. They reside in Charlotte.
- '89 Jo Ann Patton and Robert Chester Athey Jr. were recently married at Mocks United Methodist Church in Winston-Salem. The bride is a teacher at Old Town School in Winston-Salem. The bridegroom is a technical sergeant for the Air Force at Robbins Air Force Base in Georgia. They reside in Winston-Salem.
- '89 Wendy Jones Stewart and Ronald Ray Stewart Jr. have announced the birth of a son, Dustin Ray, Oct. 19. They also have a daughter, Ashley Denean, 2. They reside in Shelby.
- '89 Deborah Mechelle Hamilton and Fred Junior Byrd were married Sept. 21 at Union Road Church of God. The bride is employed by Rutherford County Schools. The

bridegroom is employed by Okuma Machine Tolls Inc. They reside in Gastonia.

- '89 Sharon Renea Nichols and John Kevin Strickland were married June 23 at John R. Dover Jr. Memorial Chapel at Gardner-Webb-College. The bride received a master's degree in early childhood and elementary education from Converse College in Spartanburg, S.C. The bridegroom is a planning supervisor for Doran Textiles in Shelby. They reside in Shelby.
- '89 Sharon Stott and William Keith Gilliland were recently married. The bride is a customer service representative for J.M. Smith. The bridegroom is employed by Mack Fulbright Distribution Co. They reside in Campobello, S.C.
- '89 Kimberly Diane Harris and Michael Van Cone were recently married at Leesville Road Baptist Church in Durham. The bride is employed by Dr. Daniel Kolzet, D.M.D. The bridegroom is employed by Newton Instrument Company of Butner. They reside in Butner.
- '88 Keith H. Haney and '86 Joy A. Maxwell were married May 26, 1989. Keith is a self employed landscaper. Joy is a business secretary. They have a daughter, Olivia Joanna, born March 5. They reside in Forest City.
- '88 Shelly Renee Walker and Anthony Dwayne Lowery were married Sept. 7 in Shelby. The bride is employed as a claim representative by Kemper National Insurance Companies in Charlotte. The bridegroom is employed by ABB Combustion Engineering in Kings Mountain. They reside in Grover.
- '88 Kenneth Ray Smith and Tammie Carol McPherson were married Sept. 28 in Asheboro. The bride is employed with Randolph County Tax Department. The bridegroom is employed by Old Stone Bank in High Point. They reside in Asheboro.
- '88 Paula Denise Cook and Phillip Edward Chappell were recently married in Cana, Va. The bride is presently pursuing a BEH certification from Appalachian State University and employed as an exceptional children's teacher in the Surry County Schools. The bridegroom is employed as a pressman at Harrison Printing in

- Winston-Salem. They reside in Mount Airy.
- '87 William Warren Coble and Debbie Elaine Queen were married Sept. 7 in Ranlo. The bride is a clerk for the Hon. Graham Mullen. The bridegroom is a pharmaceutical sales representative for Ciba-Geigy. They reside in Mount Holly.
- '87 Patty Jean Redman and Norman Wray Boyette were married July 20 in Mount Airy. The bride is employed at Belk of Mt. Airy. The bridegroom is employed as an assistant manager of Southern States in Charlotte. They reside in Charlotte.
- '87 Amy Brigetta Tucker and Toby Alan Brundage were married Aug. 31. The bride is employed as a social worker with the Stanly County Department of Social Services. The bridegroom is self-employed as a architectural structural steel detailer. They reside in Red Cross.
- '87 Alan G. Roland and '80 Sara Greer Roland have announced the birth of a son, Jordan Craig, Sept. 6. Jordan has a big brother, Christopher, who is in the second grade. Alan is an engineer with Kennametal, Inc. in the Engineering Information Applications division. They reside in Raleigh.
- '86 Tina Beam Townsend and Michael Wayne Townsend were married May 25. Tina is a postal clerk for SBTS Mailing Services and part-time minister of music at Van Buren Baptist Church in Louisville, Ken. She and her husband, Michael, reside in Louisville.
- '86 Joy A. Maxwell and '88 Keith H. Haney were married May 26, 1989. Keith is a self employed landscaper. Joy is a business secretary. They have a daughter, Olivia Joanna, born March 5. They reside in Forest City.
- '86 Deborah June Crisp and James Gregory Steele were married Oct. 5 at Central Church of God. The bride is the daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Samuel Crisp of Anderson, S.C. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Steele of Monroe. They reside in Charlotte.
- '86 Tim Hagler and '85 Nancy Beaty Hagler have announced the birth of a daughter, Samantha McNeely, April 1. Samantha has a older brother, Justin Beaty. Tim is

- employed by the N.C. Department of Revenue. They reside in Harrisburg.
- '86 James Allen Cook and Ladonna Kay Ward were married Aug. 25 at Bowman Gray Medical Center. The bride is a registered nurse for Baptist Hospital. The bridegroom is a chaplain for Baptist Hospital. They reside in Winston-Salem.
- '86 Bruce Elliott Pait and Terry Lee Speight were married Aug. 18 in Tarboro. The bride is employed as a staff accounting assistant with Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Co. in Tarboro. The bridegroom is employed as a staff accounting analyst with Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Co. They reside in Greenville.
- '86 Michael Howard James and Rebecca Gail Blackwell were married Oct. 5 in Catawba County. The bride is employed by Drs. Brandy and Brandy of Newton. The bridegroom is employed at E-Z Way Auto Sales of Newton. They reside in Newton.
- '86 Willard L. Donald Jr. and his wife, Catherine, have announced the birth of a son, Andrew Cline, Aug. 4. They reside in Montgomery, Ala.
- '86 Sandra Diane Lee and Jeffery Dodd Garrett were married Sept. 28 at Wedgewood Baptist Church in Fort Worth, Texas.
- '85 Nancy Beaty Hagler and Tim Hagler '86 have announced the birth of a daughter, Samantha McNeely, April 1. Samantha has a older brother, Justin Beaty. Tim is employed by the N.C. Department of Revenue. They reside in Harrisburg.
- '85 Donna Sarratt Davenport and Joseph Milton Davenport have announced the birth of a son, Zachary Taylor, Feb. 21. Donna is a human resource representative for North Telecom. The couple reside in Raleigh.
- '85 Melissa Rhea Lail and Jonathan David Tucker were married July 20 in Boiling Springs. The bride is in the doctoral program at the University of Connecticut Health Center. The bridegroom is a student at the University of Connecticut Health Center School of dental medicine. They reside in Farmington, Conn.
- '84 Susan Annette Hall and Tim D. Rossiter were married March 30.

- Susan is a telecommunicator with New Hanover County Sheriff's Department. The bridegroom is employed with Porta-Nail Inc. in Equipment Operations. They reside in Wilmington.
- '84 Sandra Roberson Humphries and Ricky R. Humphries have announced the birth of son, Derek Scott, July 23. Sandra works for the U.S. Postal Service as a postal clerk in Rutherfordton. The couple resides in Forest City.
- '83 Mary Proctor Hendrix and Chris Hendrix have announced the birth of a daughter, Mary Rebecca, born Oct. 30, 1990. They also have a daughter, Margaret Caroline, 5. They reside in Mocksville.
- '82 Pamella Ann Davis Fish and Woody Fish '72 have announced the birth of a son, Patrick Davis, born Aug. 21. Patrick has an older brother, Branden, 6. Pam is a physical education teacher for the Cleveland County Schools. Woody is head football coach at Gardner-Webb. They reside in Boiling Springs.
- '82 Diane Smith Barry and Craig Barry have announced the birth of a daughter, Haley Nicholl, born July 16. The Barrys also have a daughter, Hillary, 6 and a son, Hunter, 4. The couple resides in Portsmouth, Va.
- '82 Lisa Good Hack and Denver Hack have announced the birth of a son, Evan Richmond, June 24. Evan has an older brother, Corbin. Lisa is an administrative assistant for the Kentucky Department of Agriculture. Denver is a police officer for the Nelson County police department in Kentucky. They reside in Boston, Ken.
- '82 Lisa Karen Butler and William Randall Harris were married June 29 in Charlotte. The bride is employed with Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools as a second grade teacher. The bridegroom is a resident physician with Carolina's Medical Center. They reside in Charlotte.
- '81 Samuel Jesse Smith and Kimberly Smith have announced the birth of a daughter, Madalyn Allisse. Samuel is employed by Converse Athletics. They reside in Charleston, S.C.
- '81 Anne Hodges Feagin Donahoo and her husband, Bob, have announced the birth of a son, Benjamin, June 28. Anne is director of counseling services at Fort Worth

- County Day School. The couple resides in Fort Worth, TX.
- '81 Adonna Catherine Appling and Terry Neil West were married Aug. 3 in Caroleen. The bride is employed as a flight attendant with American Airlines. The bridegroom is employed with Southern Bell as a service technician. They reside in Carv.
- '80 Robin Arneson Gattis and Glen Gattis have announced the birth of a son, Craig Britten, Aug. 8, 1991. Robin is a kindergarten teacher. The couple live in Mesquite, Texas.
- '80 James Brock Taylor III and Sally Anne Staton were married Aug. 24, 1991 in Charlotte. The bridegroom is employed by Royster Transport Co. and the bride is employed in sales and merchandising. The couple live in Shelby.
- '80 Sara Greer Roland and Alan G Roland '87 have announced the birth of a son, Jordan Craig Roland, born September 6. Jordan has a big brother, Christopher, who is in the 2nd grade. Alan is an Engineer with Kennametal, Inc. in the Engineering Information Applications division. They reside in Raleigh.

The '70s

- '78 Phyllis Elaine Meredith and James Ashton Johnston were married Aug. 24, 1991. The bride is a professional recruitment coordinator at Catawba Memorial Hospital. The bridegroom is the president/owner of Data Save in Dallas. They live in Gastonia.
- '78 Leonard Torrance Keever Jr. and Catherine Dolores Bailey were married July 20. The bridegroom is currently enrolled in the master of divinity program at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ken. The bride is enrolled in the master of social work degree program at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.
- '77 Sandy Gregory Sena and Dr. Thomas J. Sena have announced the birth of a daughter, Emily Kathleen, June 7. Sandy is a retired registered nurse. The couple live in Raleigh.
- '77 Charlene Shealy Keller and Glen Keller have announced the birth of a daughter, Abigail Rebekah, May 8. Charlene is a full-time mother. The couple live in Charlotte.

- '76 Ronnie Keith White and Effic Sue Southern were married Sept. 14 in Winston-Salem. The bridegroom is a security officer for Burnette Property Management Co. Inc. The bride is a commercial manager for The Pheonix Co. They live in Winston-Salem.
- '74 Alfred Eason Poston and Nancy Elizabeth McKinnis were married July 20 in Charlotte. The bridegroom is employed by Allied Medical Accounts Control. The bride is employed by The Purdue Frederick Co. The couple live in Charlotte.
- '72 Claude Gerald Jones and Sandra Lee Newby were married Oct. 5. The bridegroom is assistant director of respiratory care services at St. Francis Hospital in Greenville. The bride is a medical laboratory technician at St. Francis Hospital. The couple live in Travelers Rest.
- '72 Joan Carol Lloyd and Edward Earl Coleman Jr. were married Jan. 9. Joan works as financial secretary at the Christian Church, Georgia Regional Office. She has two children by a previous marriage, Charlie, 10 and Anthony, 7.
- '72 Woody Fish and '82 Pamella Ann Davis Fish have announced the birth of a son, Patrick Davis, Aug. 21. Patrick has an older brother, Branden, 6. Pam is a physical education teacher with the Cleveland County Schools. Woody is head football coach at Gardner-Webb. They reside in Boiling Springs.

The '60s

'66 - Patricia Chaney Proctor and Kenneth Ray Deal were married March 14. The bride is a retired secretary and housewife. The bridegroom is employed by United Insurance. They reside in Myrtle Beach, S.C.

The '50s

Janet Walker Foster and Tom F. Foster, DVM were recently married. Janet has been director of Wilkes Developmental Day School in Wilkesboro for 20 years. They reside in Concord.

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